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Chairman: Mr. PATOKALLIO (Finland)

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The meeting was called to order at 11.05 a.m.

ORGANIZATION OF THE 1995 CONFERENCE (continued)

Rules of procedure

1. Mr. SIERLA (Finland), Chairman of the informal working group on the draft rules of procedure, said he was pleased to report that the working group had completed the first reading of document NPT/CONF.1995/PC.III/CRP.2, containing the draft rules of procedure, which had been prepared at the previous session of the Preparatory Committee. The group had worked constructively and productively, and most of the issues which remained to be resolved were those which presented the greatest complexity. The agreement reached at the previous session had, in general, been preserved intact; with the exception of one or two insignificant changes, the wording of the draft rules agreed upon earlier had remained intact. In addition, it had been possible to delete a number of footnotes.

2. Overall, a general understanding existed as to the substance of the issues and what should be done. Delegations were now endeavouring to embody that general understanding in concrete formulations. It did not seem appropriate to request the Secretariat to prepare a new draft text at the current stage. Lastly, he was optimistic that the working group would make further progress in the near future.

3. The CHAIRMAN noted with satisfaction that the working group had been able to advance in the consideration of the draft rules of procedure. It was to be hoped that the Committee would be able to finalize the rules of procedure at the current session. It appeared that the group needed more time in order to reach agreement on the text.

The meeting rose at 11.15 a.m.

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The meeting was called to order at 11.40 a.m.

ORGANIZATION OF THE 1995 CONFERENCE (continued)

Final document(s)

1. Mr. NASSERI (Islamic Republic of Iran) said that since the questions of the review and the extension of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), which would be before the 1995 Conference, were closely interrelated, in his delegation's view it would be better to adopt a single document which would include decisions on both those questions.

2. Mr. DONNELLY (United Kingdom) said that his delegation was prepared to take a flexible approach to either option. In his delegation's view, it was vitally important that decisions should be taken both on the results of the review of the Treaty, and on its extension, in accordance with the corresponding agenda items.

3. Mr. STOIBER (United States of America) said that in his delegation's view, the only document which needed to be adopted at the 1995 Conference was a document containing a decision on the extension of the Treaty. At the same time, his delegation would not object to a more detailed and extensive document, such as a final document, on condition that the official adoption of the decision on the extension of the Treaty did not in any way come to depend on the adoption of such a final document.

4. Mr. TALIANI (Italy) said that he agreed with the United States representative that the most important question was the adoption of a decision on the extension of the Treaty; he suggested that the question of the number of final documents should be left to the discretion of the Conference itself.

5. Mr. NASSERI (Islamic Republic of Iran) said that he agreed with the representative of Italy; at the same time, he noted that a successful review of the Treaty could at least facilitate the adoption of a decision on its extension.

6. Mr. GUILLAUME (Belgium) said that even if that question was left to the discretion of the Conference, it must be remembered that the main purpose of the Conference was to take a decision on the extension of the Treaty - and that decision must be adopted. It must be clearly understood that that decision would be final.

7. Mr. SHA Zukang (China) said that the 1995 Conference had two objectives: to review the Treaty and to take a decision on its extension. The documents of the Conference must objectively reflect the results of the achievement of both those objectives, and it would therefore be better to adopt two separate documents.

8. The CHAIRMAN suggested that, if there were no objections, the consideration of the question would be deferred until the Conference itself and that decision would be reflected in the Committee's final report.

9. It was so decided.

10. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to the draft final report (NPT/CONF.1995/PC.IV/5) and to the revised estimated cost of the 1995 Conference (NPT/CONF.1995/PC.IV/2).

The meeting rose at 11.55 a.m.